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SAFESTAT REPORT



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Overview

There were a total of 60 crashes in April. This is a 6.3% reduction in the number crashes as compared to March with 4 fewer crashes investigated. There were no fatal crashes during April. There were 3 crashes involving an impaired driver which is one more than in March. Of the 60 total crashes, 14 involved commercial vehicles. Commercial drivers were at fault in 9, or 64%, of the 14 commercial crashes. Ten of the 14 crashes occurred on the Interstate.

Overall enforcement activity declined by 8% with 227 fewer violations. The majority of the decline was in speed violations with 201 fewer. Much of this decline is attributed to personnel involved in the PSTO program in which Troopers being trained are not yet certified on RADAR. Hazardous moving and occupant restraint violations had increases in April as compared to March. Arrests of impaired drivers prior to a crash increased significantly, 43%, with 9 more arrests.

Commercial personnel increased the number of inspections of commercial vehicles and their drivers by over 9%. This led to corresponding increases in the number of violations discovered and safety citations being issued. The number of vehicles placed "out of service" almost doubled while the number of drivers placed "out of service" dropped by more than half. Traffic personnel conducted 178 inspections during April which was 9 fewer than in March.

Front office personnel had increases in the number of reports processed and the evidence vault had a substantial increase in the number of new cases and new items submitted. The Court / Warrant Section had declines in the majority of areas while the Communications Center experienced declines in radio and call box transmissions, but had increased in the number of CAD incidents and phone calls.

Overall, Central Command personnel did very well during April.

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CRASH ANALYSIS AND OVERVIEW

	April -08		April-07	% Change		March-08	% Change
Total Crashes	60		83	-27.7%		64	-6.3%
Property Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	40		48	-16.7%		37	8.1%
Injury Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	20		31	-35.5%		24	-16.7%
Fatal Crashes [including commercial vehicles]	0		4	-400.0%		3	-300.0%
DUI Crashes [DUI charged]	3		2	50.0%		2	50.0%
Total persons killed in fatal crashes	0		4	-400.0%		6	-600.0%
Total drivers killed without seatbelts	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total passengers killed without seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%		1	-100.0%
Total drivers killed with seatbelts	0		2	-200.0%		2	-200.0%
Total passengers killed with seatbelts	0		1	-100.0%		3	-300.0%
Total persons killed -- seatbelts not applicable	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%
Total number of commercial vehicle crashes	14		15	-6.7%		13	7.7%
Property crashes involving commercial vehicle	9		12	-25.0%		8	12.5%
Injury crashes involving commercial vehicle	5		3	66.7%		5	0.0%
Fatal crashes involving commercial vehicle	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%

Percentage of fatal crashes to total crashes 0.0%

Percentage of DUI crashes to total crashes 5.0%

Percentage of persons killed *without* seatbelts to total persons killed 0.0%

Percentage of commercial vehicle crashes to total crashes 23.3%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]

- Total crashes were down by 4 from the previous month for a 6.3% decrease and 23 from the previous year for a 27.7% decrease.
- DUI crashes increased by 1 over the previous month and year.
- The average BAC for impaired drivers involved in crashes is pending test results.
- There were no fatal crashes in April which is down from 6 the previous month and 4 the previous year.
- There were 14 accidents involving a commercial vehicle during April, which increased by 1 over the previous month. The 14 accidents accounted for 23.3% of the total crashes in the Command. Of the 14 crashes, 9 or 64.29% were the fault of the commercial vehicle driver, 1 of the crashes was found to be no fault, there were 4 crashes involving a commercial vehicle in which a passenger vehicle driver was found to be at fault. 10 of the 14 crashes occurred on Interstate 80, the remaining 4 occurred on secondary roadways.

FIELD ENFORCEMENT ACTIVITY*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

	April -08		April -07	% Change		March -08	% Change
DUI arrests from crashes	3		2	50.0%		2	50.0%
DUI arrests <i>prior</i> to crashes	30		24	25.0%		21	42.9%
Other Arrests	161		102	57.8%		158	1.9%
Total persons arrested (DUI included)	149		45	231.1%		71	109.9%
Speed violations	1306		1485	-12.1%		1507	-13.3%
Hazardous moving violations	151		171	-11.7%		136	11.0%
Occupant restraint violations *	162		194	-16.5%		150	8.0%
Total violations [above violations included]	2600		2818	-7.7%		2827	-8.0%
Commercial Enforcement							
Hazardous moving violations - citations/arrests	44		40	10.0%		48	-8.3%
Other traffic violations - citations/arrests	54		31	74.2%		46	17.4%
Total safety inspections [level 1, 2, 3, 4, & 6]	521		547	-4.8%		477	9.2%
Terminal inspections [level 5]	0		2	-200.0%		0	0.0%
Total safety violations -- citation	108		100	8.0%		75	44.0%
Total safety violations -- repair order	805		794	1.4%		555	45.0%
Total vehicles placed "Out of Service"	35		33	6.1%		19	84.2%
Total drivers placed "Out of Service"	17		27	-37.0%		40	-57.5%
Total school buses inspected	32		1	3100.0%		114	-71.9%
Total school buses placed "Out of Service"	5		0	500.0%		12	-58.3%
Total trucks weighed	796		554	43.7%		482	65.1%
Total overweight citations	18		5	260.0%		11	63.6%
Total dyed fuel inspections	503		512	-1.8%		448	12.3%
Total dyed fuel citations	0		0	0.0%		0	0.0%

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS*[Narrative analysis to include trends or other applicable issues]*

- Total violations were down by 227 for an 8% decrease from March.
- As such, speed enforcement was down by 101 violations for a 13.3% decrease, however hazardous moving violations were up by 15 for an 11% increase, occupant restraint violations were also up by 12 for an 8% increase.
- There were 30 DUI arrests prior to crashes for a 42.9% increase over March and a 25% increase over the same period last year. The average BAC for impaired drivers was .178%.

- Commercial vehicle inspections were up by 44 for a 9.2% increase over March. Violations were up by 33 for a 44% increase over March and repair orders were up by 250 for a 45% increase over March. There were 17 drivers and 35 vehicles placed out of service. The number of trucks weighed was up for the second month by 314 over March for a 65.1% increase.
- There were 796 trucks weighed by commercial enforcement in April and 214 of those were weighed on secondary roadways during 241 hours of directed enforcement.

Commercial Activity [TRAFFIC PERSONNEL ONLY]							
	Level 2/3 Inspections	Safety Violations Citation	Safety Violations Repair Order	Drivers Placed "Out of Service"	Vehicles Placed "Out of Service"	Dyed Fuel Inspections	Dyed Fuel Citations
	#	#	#	#	#	#	#
April -08	178	69	241	21	7	163	0
April -07	262	124	296	20	12	222	0
% Change	-32.1%	-44.4%	-18.6%	5.0%	-41.7%	-26.6%	#DIV/0!

April -08	178	69	241	21	7	163	0
March -08	189	93	149	10	7	154	0
% Change	-5.8%	-25.8%	61.7%	110.0%	0.0%	5.8%	#DIV/0!

- Traffic operations personnel conducted 178 level 2/3 inspections during April. This was a decrease of 32.1% from the previous year and 9 fewer than March. There were corresponding decreases in violations. However, repair orders were up over March. 69 citations for violations and 241 repair orders were written during the inspections with 7 vehicles and 21 drivers being placed "out of service."

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES	April -08		April -07	% Change		March -08	% Change
COMMUNICATION CENTER							
Radio Transmissions	56754		72908	-22.2%		62339	-9.0%
CAD incidents	7617		10277	-25.9%		7466	2.0%
Telephone Calls	7477		10737	-30.4%		7366	1.5%
Call Box Incidents	61		N/A	#VALUE!		107	-43.0%
FRONT OFFICE							
Accident Reports Processed	71		90	-21.1%		50	42.0%
Arrest Reports Processed	83		61	36.1%		46	80.4%
Incident / Officer Reports Processed	7		18	-61.1%		6	16.7%
COURT / WARRANT							
Warrants Received	124		285	-56.5%		152	-18.4%
Warrants Entered	136		350	-61.1%		185	-26.5%
Warrants Cleared	216		398	-45.7%		135	60.0%
Warrants Validated	1644		2428	-32.3%		1871	-12.1%
Extradition / Transports	3		4	-25.0%		4	-25.0%
EVIDENCE							
New Cases Submitted	37		13	184.6%		17	117.6%
New Items Submitted	154		44	250.0%		138	11.6%
Items Disposed	75		22	240.9%		427	-82.4%

Contract Service overtime was 554.88 hours during 12 escorts totalling \$38,841.23.

NARRATIVE ANALYSIS

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- Contract services were up by 2 services but down by 226 hours from March.
- Communications Center experienced decreases in activity over the previous month. Radio transmissions were down by 9%, CAD incidents were up slightly by 2% and call box incidents were down by 43%. Telephone calls increased slightly by 1.5% over March.
- The Evidence section received 20 more case submissions than the previous month for a 117% increase. Items processed increased by 16 for an 11% increase over March. Items disposed were down by 82%.
- Front Office staff saw increases in activity over March with a 42% increase in accident reports processed, an 80% increase in arrest reports processed and a 16% increase in incident reports processed.
- The Court/Warrant Unit work process fell in all categories except warrants cleared.
- Most administrative services declined from the previous year with the exception of evidence and arrest reports.

PERSONNEL

- The recruitments for PSD I and PSD IV have been closed and interviews for PSD I candidates are being scheduled for later in May.
- The Administrative Assistant II for Commercial Enforcement, Suzana Ayala, has been hired and is being trained by Terry Shaw from HQ.
- The candidate for the Administrative Assistant I position for Court/Warrants is in the background investigation process which is expected to be completed in May.

PUBLIC INFORMATION

- The PIEO conducted presentations for career fairs, mining safety and commercial vehicle safety on April 2, 7, 9, 16, 24 and 30.
- He conducted several interviews related to crashes and visibility problems on Interstate 80 due to high winds and dust.
- The PIEO attended the PIO training conducted in Reno on April 21 and 22.

AIR OPERATIONS

- The Central Command aircraft flew 22 hours, completing 11 missions during the month of April.
- Four speed enforcement missions were flown resulting in the the following enforcement:

A total of 79 enforcement actions were taken.

Speed:	41
Hazardous Moving:	4
Non-Hazardous:	34
Seat Belt:	0
Arrests:	0

Four motorists were assisted during speed enforcement missions and ten were assisted during line patrol flights.

The high speed for the month was a green Mazda sedan at 96 mph in a 75 mph zone west of Wells.

- Compared to last month, total flight time is down 49%, total enforcement activity is up 10% and motorist assists are up 40%. When compared to April of 2007, flight time is down 35%, total enforcement activity is up 65% and motorists assisted are up 180%.
- On April 29 and 30, the Airborne Traffic Observer course was presented in Elko and we now have seven newly qualified observers to draw from.